

BLUE RIVER CAREER CENTER

Shelbyville, Shelby County, IN

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Site Location and Description

The site is located on part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 7, Township 12 North, Range 7 East, Shelbyville quadrangle, in the City of Shelbyville, at 789 Saint Joseph Street. The subject property is generally flat, and comprises approximately nine acres. Approximately six acres are occupied by several connected buildings. The buildings enclose 152,445 square feet. The subject facility and property were abandoned when a new Career Center was built on an adjacent parcel of land. The subject property is surrounded by light industrial and residential land uses.

Zip Code: 46176

Site Uses and Past Activities

The original structure was built in 1903 with additions to the structure continuing through 1965. The facility has had a variety of uses over the years, including auto assembly, woodworking, kitchen stove manufacturing, jet aircraft parts manufacturing, and most recently, vocational and adult education. The facility closed in 1996.

Contaminants and Impacts

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment was performed by a private environmental consultant in 1997. In addition, IDEM staff walked over the site in 1997, and identified several environmental concerns. IDEM subsequently recommended to officials at the Blue River Career Center, that a Phase II site assessment be performed. A grant was issued and IDEM anticipates receiving a Phase II environmental assessment report. Therefore, it is unclear to IDEM what contaminants and impacts exist.

Lead Agency

IDEM in conjunction with the Indiana Development Finance Authority.

Community Concerns

None specified.

Actions Taken

The Blue River Career Programs (a Public School Corporation within the local



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government body) applied for a Brownfield Environmental Assessment. A site visit was conducted on October 7, 1997. A review of a previously done Phase I ESA was also completed. A Phase II ESA was recommended by IDEM staff and a workplan was completed. The Blue River Career Programs decided not to use the services of the Brownfields Environmental Assessment and instead applied for a grant to do the recommended work. The City of Shelbyville was awarded an Indiana Brownfields Site Assessment Grant by the Indiana Development Finance Authority in September 1998. The funds were used to perform a Phase II site assessment. The assessment was designed to help the City of Shelbyville redevelop the property.

Current Status

The subject property is currently abandoned and has not been redeveloped.

Future Actions

The State is anticipating the receipt of the Phase II assessment report. IDEM staff will review the document to ensure environmental objectives are met, and discuss future steps with officials at the City of Shelbyville as necessary.

Cost Estimates

Brownfields Environmental Assessments are paid from a grant via the US EPA, at no cost to the recipient.

Amount of grant awarded: \$ 18,890.

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